

**PORT EWEN WATER AND SEWER BOARD MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2022**

Nicholas Butler, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent  
Michael Dauner, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman  
Chairman Doug DeKoskie  
George Post  
Mike Mulligan  
Kevin Rentfrow

Also Present: Paul Malmrose, P.E. and Dan Valentine, P.E. of Tighe and Bond

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2022 MEETING** – Upon Motion of George Post, seconded by Kevin Rentfrow, minutes were approved.

**CHPE –**

Meeting was turned over to Engineers Malmrose and Valentine for presentation. Engineer Malmrose informed the Board that developer TDI was bringing power from Canada to New York City via the Hudson River by utilizing jet plowing to create a 7' deep trench with hydraulic power and placing a cable into the trench. The project's technique posed the possibility of disturbing the riverbed to stir up PCBs, pesticides and oil products. The map depicting the pipeline route showed it came closest to the Town of Esopus Water intake. The developer has already obtained the necessary permits and will not change the course of the pipeline. The Hudson 7 has made requirements to conduct pilot testing to take place in the Fall. The jet plow would be operated a quarter mile north and a quarter mile south of the Esopus intake and to have the plant closed down for five (5) days to test the water and take water from the storage tank during that period. Foreman Dauner disagreed that there was sufficient water in the storage tank to close operation of the plant for 5 days. As the operation is being monitored, if there were any problems (fire), operation would be shut down. Attempts are still being made to locate the line closer to the Dutchess County side. Borings would first be taken at areas around the intake to determine if other pollutants exist and then conduct the pilot testing to determine the turbidity approximately 100' in front and back to see if there are any drastic changes. The pilot test can be shut down at any time. Trying to make sure that once full-scale operation is commenced, there is a good plan in place.

Foreman Dauner asked if a conversation had taken place with the Fire Department which would be able to utilize the water in an emergency during that period. Special equipment was being obtained to monitor turbidity, PH, petroleum products and conductivity on a continuous basis. Superintendent Butler questioned the length of time needed to get results back and the risk posed to the drinking water. Engineer Malmrose remarked that any negative results would result in the developers being told the line would have to be moved to the other side of the River. Foreman Dauner stated that although it was a test, contaminants could be disturbed and impact the drinking water.

Superintendent Butler was going to plot cable coordinates from the intake and provide to the Board and determine where the cable would exist in relation to that intake. Repairs on the intake could be inhibited

by the location of the cable. Question was raised if an easement existed and if it was being crossed. Quickest turnaround time for testing and obtaining lab results was requested. Foreman Dauner stated that prior to the installation of the plant, an oil dock for tankers existed and any potential contaminants have long been buried. Engineer Palmrose was providing testing information to Superintendent Butler. Chairman DeKoskie inquired how the project progressed with notice being provided to the Town as an involved agency during the SEQRA review and the Towns should have been given opportunity to respond. Hudson 7 providing services of Engineer Valentine during the testing to assist and bottled water to the schools, nursing homes, etc. were being provided to stockpile. Equipment to be staged at the plant included a Total Organic Carbon (TOC) which would shut down operation if it went up 1 unit. If turbidity changed by more than 50 NTUs, the operation would be shut down. A panel could be provided with all the instruments that would sample the raw water line coming into that panel. Foreman Dauner preferred instruments being calibrated and utilized by a third-party. George Post asked if funds had been put aside by the Developer if the water system was compromised and taxpayers/Town should be burdened with the expense of any issues that may occur. Chairman DeKoskie stated minimally that the NYS Board of Health, Ulster County Board of Health and the NYS DEC should be involved and providing input and reviews for the testing and any possible emergency. Foreman Dauner stated that there was not adequate time to provide public with adequate information.

Engineer Malmrose stated that raw water testing would take place while boring was taking place and water would be pumped in and back to the river and then selecting locations. He preferred that water didn't go to the pumps but rather back to the river to protect water system during the testing. Items that would shut down jet plowing included a turbidity higher than 50, TOC higher than 1, if the PH changes by 1 unit and if any petroleum products were found in the water. Time factor for testing was an issue and hydrant flushing also took place in the Fall and everything needed to be coordinated. Superintendent Butler stated that the plant could not be shut down no more than three (3) days and that an emergency plan should be in place.

George Post inquired if Town Supervisor could attend next meeting to update the W&S Board as to what the past communications between CHPE project developer and the Town was. Superintendent Butler would have conversation with the Supervisor and what the position of the Town would be.

#### **Old Business:**

Foreman's Reports for June and July annexed hereto.

Wurts Street Bridge – Town received payment of invoice for \$414. —for equipment rental and water usage.

May 27, 2022 WTP emergency – Plant needed to be shut down and TAM Enterprises had been consulted. They sourced some pipe, Town had some pipe and the remainder of the material was outsourced. Supply chain issues still pose a problem. The plant was up and running and TAM provided invoice for \$20,104.65. The WTP emergency posed potential for back up plan. Framework had existed over the Wurts Street Bridge to connect with City of Kingston and meeting had been scheduled with Mayor Noble on July 21, 2022. Steven Cross had provided cover for flange and invoice for \$450.0 had been submitted. There would be additional bills coming in for the equipment.

The big 3 project breakdown – Dan Valentine of Tighe and Bond had outlined three (3) main projects and status – water tank project, water treatment plant and water main distribution project. Foreman Dauner



had suggested that 12" water main along 9W corridor from Citgo to Dick Williams Road and a small section on Hasbrouck be installed to take some action on the project.

Ulster County ARPA Funding – Request from the Town of Esopus had been provided to the County. Waiting for resolution from Legislator Petit and status.

2021 Annual Water Report – Supervisor needed an extension to complete the Report and provided final draft to Members. New water bills will have message to inform residents where Report could be located. Superintendent had certified and sent report with an example of the bill and provided to the UCDOH.

#### **New Business:**

Board communication – Needs to improve among members. Future meetings would take place with or without a quorum and sheet was passed around for e-mail addresses. Mike Mulligan asked that reports be provided in the event a meeting would not be held. Chairman DeKoskie suggested that the possibility of having alternates added to the W&S Board could be an option.

Foreman Mike Dauner discussed May and June reports – annexed hereto. Canal Street pump station had first pumpout in approximately 15 years in May 2022 and had returned in June to attempt to finish pumpout. Large amount of grit and clogging existed. TAM had provided quote to come with a hydrovac to effectively complete the pumpout as well as conducting pumpout at station on Doris Street.

All as-builts for the sewer system had been provided by Brinnier & Larios on a USB at no cost.

Hydrant had been hit on Bayard & Lampman in June and had sustained damage.

#### **Old Business:**

Central Hudson working with Wilden Energy Co. was replacing lights between the water plant and garage to upgrade to LED lighting. The State would cover 70% of the total cost which was estimated at \$19,967.00. The Town's total cost would be \$4,940.00 and cost for the garage would be \$3,465.52. \$698.60 would be coming out of the W & S budget.

#### **New Business:**

Landowner across the Hudson River asked that the fiberglass tops of the water clarifiers painted to change from white to earth tone color. Ned Sullivan from Scenic Hudson was liaison stating there would be no cost to the Town. Issues were raised including compromising integrity of the structures, liability the Town and what type of paint would be required. Chairman DeKoskie suggested contacting the manufacturer to see what requirements were needed.

North Broadway sewer pump station quotes had been received. Standby pump not operating properly and needs to be replaced. Gartner and Rapid Pump had submitted. The Town had been utilizing services of Rapid Pump which had quoted \$17,841.00. Gartner submitted a quoted of \$6,700.00. Supervisor preferences to replace with new pump and then rebuild existing pumps for standby use. All W&S Board members agreed.

July 2, 2022 a pumpstation overflow occurrence was not conveyed by Safeco. Overflow would not have occurred had Foreman Dauner been properly notified and he completed the DEC report.

City of Kingston undertaking the upgrade of infrastructure. A 2009 sewer agreement between the City of Kingston and the Town of Esopus existed and was provided to members. Pursuant to the Agreement, the Town of Esopus would be responsible for a portion of the repairs pursuant the Agreement.

Upon Motion of George Post, second by Kevin Rentfrow, and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Dated: May 12, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa K. Mance".

Lisa Mance, Secretary

Approved: August 9, 2022

Port Ewen Water /Sewer District  
Monthly Field Report

June 2022

- Markouts
- Took (5) BAC samples
- Changed water meters
- Checked all generators
- Remarkd sewer lateral for 79 Connelly Rd construction project. Assisted with locating stub and performed inspection of sewer lateral construction.
- Cleaning tools and equipment
- Cleaned water garage
- Read radio read meters.
- Reading manual read meters
- Assisted with billing system and checking meters
- Installed steering stabilizer on Truck 23
- Pump out part 2 at Canal St pump station. Had overflow on sewer lateral for bathroom at beach park. Cleaned up overflow. Unclogged two check valves.
- Pulled pump #3 at North Broadway P/S
- Working on Clow Hydrant at Clay Rd /Lindorf St. Found hydrant to be broken in ground requiring hydrant to be replaced.
- Attended meetings on infrastructure project and sewer system
- Replaced manhole frame and cover at 57 North Broadway
- Met with Dan Bunton to obtain quote to repair foundation wall at water garage
- Safeco replaced all radio receivers at pump stations due to communication issues.
- Mowed garage and pump stations
- Weed trimmed fire hydrants in system
- Assisted customer with shut off repair at 277 Salem St
- Fire Hydrant at Bayard St & Lampman Ave hit. Isolated valves and hydrant.
- Replaced fire hydrant at Bayard St & Lampman Ave
- Truck 21 & 23 – oil change, inspection, and tire rotation
- Met with Tam Enterprises to quote Canal St and Doris St P/S cleaning
- Cold patch on break sites
- Received delivery of new fire hydrant and brought to garage
- Change lights at pump stations
- Clean up, topsoil, and seed water main break site

Water Breaks

1. 6/29/2022 - 222 Broadway – 10" Hub

Signature 

Mike Dauner

Foreman

7/5/2022



Port Ewen Water /Sewer District  
Monthly Field Report

July 2022

- Mark outs
- Took (5) BAC samples
- Changed water meters
- Checked all generators
- Topsoil and seed water break sites
- Cleaning equipment
- Lighting contractor upgraded all lights at water garage
- Assisted with water bills
- Located shut off at 277 Salem St and assisted customer with plumbing issue
- Installed new fire hydrant at Clay Rd & Lindorf St
- Cleaned up scrap pile and brought scrap to recycling company
- Mowed pump stations, garage, and standpipe
- Checked manholes on interceptor and had TAM quote for repair
- Cleaned all trucks inside /out
- Sawcut break sites and started paving. 28 River Rd and Clay Rd hydrant paved.
- Lowe's /Spinnenweber for supplies
- Repaired Broadway /Canal St Hydrant which was hit at unknown date and time
- Rapid Pump installed new pump #1 at Connelly P/S
- Pulled pump and cleaned check valve at Canal St P/S
- Cleaned up storm debris at North Broadway P/S
- Cleaned garage and organized equipment
- Met with electrician on warranty issues for North Broadway P/S wet well light. Replaced light lens. Waiting on new one to replenish stock.
- Inputted meter change out sheets
- Sexual Harassment /Workplace Violence Training
- Meeting with City of Kingston on sewer projects
- Several meetings on CHPE jet plowing
- Jetted filter lines at plant to clean of lime build up
- Assisted at plant with PAC Pump issues and repair
- Replaced valve seat on Connelly Rd /Millbrook Dr fire hydrant

Water Breaks

1. 7/19/2022 – 639 Third Ave – 6" Hub
2. 7/22/2022 – 224 Broadway – 10" Hub

Signature: 

Mike Dauner

Foreman

8/8/2022